

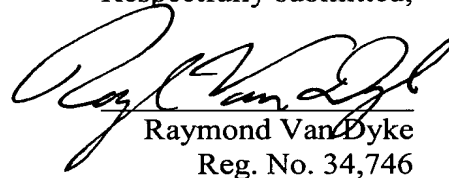
### Remarks

Claims 1-18 are pending. By this amendment, Applicants have withdrawn claims 13-15 with traverse. In addition, Applicants have elected with traverse Group I (claims 1-12 and 16-18) for prosecution on the merits.

Applicants submit that claim 11 serves as the linking claim for claims 13-15. Accordingly, under MPEP 809.03, claims 13-15 shall be entitled to examination in this application if claim 11 is found allowable.

Applicants believe that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desired in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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